Rail Over-Bridges in Bangalore

3931. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken up construction of one over-bridge near ITC factory and of the other one at Lingarajapuram-Hennur Road near Charles School, Bangalore;

(b) if so, the estimated cost of the above works; and

(c) by when the work is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) Sir, both the road over bridges were sanctioned in Railway Budget of 1999-2000.

(b) Estimated cost of Road Over Bridge near ITC Factory is Rs. 11.86 crores (Railway's share Rs. 5.96 crores, Bangalore Mahanagara Palike's share Rs. 5.89 crores) and the estimated cost of road over bridge at Lingaragapuram-Hennur Road is Rs. 10.75 crores. (Railway's share Rs. 5.38 crores, Bangalore Mahanagara Palike's share Rs. 5.37 crores).

(c) Bangalore Mahanagara Palike has entrusted construction of approaches also to Railway for which they have yet to deposit their share of cost. Construction of the bridges will be taken up after Bangalore Mahanagara Palike deposits its share of cost.

Extension of Rail Lines

†3932. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for extension of rail lines during Ninth Five Year Plan;

(b) whether it is a fact that it is not possible to achieve that target by the end of that Plan period;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the amount spent on this work so far?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.